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TITLE: The ROOF-RAKER

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention:

Our invention relates to roof maintenance, specifically to an improved self-adjusting roof rake and an improved method of removing pine straw and leaf debris from roofs of houses.

State of the Prior Art:

As can be seen by reference to known raking implements covered by U.S. Patents, the prior art is replete with myriad and diverse rake constructions. While all of the aforementioned prior art constructions are more than adequate for the basic purpose and function for which they have been specifically designed, they are uniformly deficient with respect to their ability to efficiently and safely remove pine straw and leaf debris from pitched roof surfaces, particularly from recessed V-shaped roof areas where two pitched roof planes meet.

Most of the known raking implements covered by U.S. Patents are designed for ground use by a person standing at ground level. Such lawn and leaf rakes are described as having a plurality of tines or teeth. Some of these rakes are fan-shaped, others have a horizontal crosshead or bar from which tines or teeth extend in a straight line. A few examples of fan-shaped rakes are;